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*Description:* ff. ii + 81 + ii - Nineteenth century, England. Red, hard-grained goatskin, blind- and gold-tooled, with arms of Elmhirst on both covers (later addition). Title arranged in panels down spine: "Tractatus varii. viz./ I. Upton De re militari./ II. Summaria metrificata./ III. Test. XI. Patriarcharum./ IV. Chronicon ab orig. mundi/ Ad Ann. 1332". - Purchased from L. C. Witten in 1959 by Thomas E. Marston. - Shailor, B. Catalogue of Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Marston MS 255.

*Notes:* -Manuscript on parchment of 1) Nicholas Upton (d. 1457), De officio militari libri IV. 2) Metrical summary of the Bible based on Alexander of Villa Dei, Summarium Bibliae, arranged by books and chapters. 3) Tabular chart for art. 2. 4) Testamenta XII Patriarcharum, Lat. tr. of Robert Grosseteste. 5) World chronicle, beginning with the creation and ending with John of Lancaster, Duke of Bedford (1389-1435).

*Number of Parts:* 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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*Language:* Latin *Country:* England *Century:* 15th

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### Part 1:

*Description:* - parchment - 294 x 200 (220 x 145) mm.

*Country:* England

*Region:* England

*Assigned Date:* [ca. 1450]

*Dated by scribe:* No

*Document:* No

*Cardinal point:*

*City:*

*Searchable Date Range:* 1450 - 1450

*Inscribed Date:*

*Number of Scribes:*

*Script:* Written in small neat secretary script with anglicana features. Headings in large gothic bookhand.

*Notes:* One decorative initial, 8-line, gold with border of gold and colors extending across upper and down inner margins; details of illumination marred by extensive damage. Blue initials with intricate red penwork flourishes throughout. Headings underlined in red. Nicely painted heraldic shields, art. 1; paragraph marks alternate red and blue, arts. 2, 4-5. Severe water staining throughout the text affects decoration, which has faded or bled, but rarely obscures the text. Binding: Nineteenth century, England. Red, hard-grained goatskin, blind- and gold-tooled, with arms of Elmhirst on both covers (later addition). Title arranged in panels down spine: "Tractatus varii. viz./ I. Upton De re militari./ II. Summaria metrificata./ III. Test. XI. Patriarcharum./ IV. Chronicon ab orig. mundi/ Ad Ann. 1332".

*Number of Texts:* 1

### Text 1:

*Other Associate:* Grosseteste, Robert 1175?-1253.

*Author:* Upton, Nicholas 1400?-1457.

*Title:* De officio militari, etc.

*Subjects:* Alexander, de Villa Dei.; Bedford, John Plantagenet, Duke of, 1389-1435.; Upton, Nicholas, 1400?-1457.; Fathers of the church.; Illumination of books and manuscripts, Medieval.; Manuscripts, Medieval--Connecticut--New Haven.; Military art and science--Early works to 1800.; World history--Early works to 1800.;

*Language(s):* Latin